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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce a public meeting of the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council (Council). A Federal advisory committee, the Council was created in part to foster partnerships to enhance public awareness of the importance of aquatic resources and the social and economic benefits of recreational fishing and boating in the United States. This meeting is open to the public, and interested persons may make oral

statements to the Council or may file written statements for consideration.

DATES: The meeting will take place Wednesday, July 30, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

(Eastern Daylight Time) and Thursday, July 31, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For deadlines and

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directions on registering to attend the meeting, submitting written material, and/or giving an oral presentation, please see "Public Input" under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Department of the Interior; 1849 C Street, NW; Room 5160; Washington, D.C. 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Bohnsack, Council Coordinator, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mailstop 3103–AEA, Arlington, VA 22203; telephone (703) 358–2435; fax (703) 358–2487; or e-mail brian bohnsack@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., we announce that the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council will hold a meeting.

Background

The Council was formed in January 1993 to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Director of the Service, on aquatic conservation endeavors that benefit recreational fishery resources and recreational boating and that encourage partnerships among industry, the public, and government. The Council represents the interests of the public and private sectors of the recreational fishing, boating, and conservation communities and is organized to enhance partnerships among industry, constituency groups, and government. The 18-member Council, appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, includes the Service Director and the president of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, who both serve in ex officio capacities. Other

Council members are directors from State agencies responsible for managing recreational fish and wildlife resources and individuals who represent the interests of saltwater and freshwater recreational fishing, recreational boating, the recreational fishing and boating industries, recreational fisheries resource conservation, Native American tribes, aquatic resource outreach and education, and tourism. Background information on the Council is available at http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc.

Meeting Agenda

The Council will hold a meeting to consider:

- An update from the FWS Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program on progress in implementing Council recommendations to improve program activities;
- An update on the Council's assessment of the Recreational Boating and Fishing
 Foundation's implementation of the National Outreach and Communication Program;
- An update on the activities of the Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation
 (FICOR) in implementing the America's Great Outdoors Initiative;
- An update of the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program;
- An update on the implementation of the National Wildlife Refuge System Vision, in particular recommendation 17: Hunting, Fishing and Outdoor Recreation;
- Other miscellaneous Council business.

The final agenda will be posted on the Internet at http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc.

Public Input

If you wish to	Then you must contact the Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) no later than
Attend the meeting	Wednesday, July 23, 2014
Submit written information or questions before the meeting for the council to consider during the meeting	Wednesday, July 23, 2014
Give an oral presentation during the meeting	Wednesday, July 23, 2014

Attendance

Because entry to Federal buildings is restricted, all visitors are required to preregister to be admitted. In order to attend this meeting, you must register by close of business on the dates listed in "Public Input" under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address, and phone number to the Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Submitting Written Information or Questions

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Council to consider during the meeting. Written statements must be received by the date listed above in "Public Input," so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written statements must be supplied to the Council Coordinator in one of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file formats are Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or rich text file).

Giving an Oral Presentation

Individuals or groups requesting to make an oral presentation during the meeting will be

limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers.

Interested parties should contact the Council Coordinator, in writing (preferably via email; see

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT), to be placed on the public speaker list for

this meeting. To ensure an opportunity to speak during the public comment period of the

meeting, members of the public must register with the Council Coordinator. Registered speakers

who wish to expand upon their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak but could not

be accommodated on the agenda, may submit written statements to the Council Coordinator up

to 30 days subsequent to the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

Summary minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Council Coordinator (see

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) and will be available for public inspection

within 90 days of the meeting and will be posted on the Council's website at

http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc.

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